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## Environmental and Social Completion Sheet (ESCS)

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Project Name: Project Number: Country: Project Description*:*  SOLARIA CASTILIAN PV PLANTS 2020-0100 Spain

Construction and operation of 7 solar photovoltaic plants with an installed capacity of 261 MWp located in the Spanish regions of Castilla y Leon, Castilla-La Mancha and Extremadura.

### Summary of Environmental and Social Assessment at Completion

# EIB notes the following Environmental and Social performance and key outcomes at Project Completion.

The project was a multi-scheme investment project, or programme, and consisted of the construction and operation of 7 solar photovoltaic (PV) plants with a total capacity of c. 261 MWp located in the Spanish regions of Castilla y Leon, Castilla-La-Mancha and Extremadura. The PV plants included in the Project are identified in the table below.

Plant Name	Capacity (MWp)	Region
Solaria-Añover I	50	Castilla La Mancha
Sirius Solar	50	Castilla y Leon
Algiedi Solar	25	Castilla y Leon
FV Calera y Chozas I	16	Castilla La Mancha
Ursa Maior	50	Castilla y Leon
Draco Solar	50	Castilla y Leon
El Baldio Solar 2	20	Extremadura

The plants were put into operations between mid-2021 (Anover) and end 2022 (Draco). The promoter reported no significant environmental or social issue during the implementation and operation of the project.

The ESDS included the following conditions and undertakings (extracts from the ESDS in italic):

As a condition for disbursement against Draco (being subject to an Environmental Impact Assessment), the promoter shall provide (PV plant and associated facilities as described above):

- Electronic copy of the final EIS (including appropriate assessment, if required, and information on the public consultation process), approved or endorsed by the competent authority and satisfactory to the Bank.

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<u>Status at completion</u>: the condition was fulfilled, with the corresponding EIA report published in EIB website<sup>1</sup>.

- Electronic copy of the environmental consent (Declaracion de Impacto Ambiental)

#### Status at completion: fulfilled<sup>2</sup>

- The evidence of no negative impact on Natura 2000 sites (form A or equivalent declaration by the competent authority, e.g. an explicit statement of no negative impact from the competent authority in the environmental permit)

<u>Status at completion</u>: the competent authority concluded that the Draco project is not located within the Natura 2000 Network, nor is the existence of indirect effects foreseen, either individually or in combination with others, that could cause damage to the integrity of any Natura 2000 sites, as long as certain conditions are met, which have been included in the Declaracion de Impacto Ambiental.

The promoter undertakes not to allocate EIB's funds to components until the EIA process and/or the necessary supporting documentation (e.g appropriate assessment), have been finalised and approved or endorsed by the relevant competent authorities and satisfactory to the EIB.

#### Status at completion: fulfilled

As a project undertaking, the promoter will have to demonstrate that the measures foreseen in the EISs and the permits, including measures to avoid, reduce and mitigate the impact, as well as monitoring indicators, were put in place during the construction and operational phase.

<u>Status at completion</u>: fulfilled. The promoter reported that the implementation of mitigation measures was in line with the requirements under the respective environmental consents (e.g. for protection of vegetation, fauna, soil, air quality and landscape integration measure). The promoter provided the monitoring reports that had been delivered to the competent authorities for reporting on the implementation of the corresponding measures. The lenders technical adviser has reviewed the environmental information provided by the promoter and confirmed the compliance of the project with the measures that were set in the environmental permits, and with the implementation of some measures extending into the operational phase.

#### The promoter undertakes to have the project complying with the EIB E&S Standards

<u>Status at completion</u>: fulfilled, the promoter undertook in the finance contract to have the project complying with the EIB E&S Standards.

#### Summary opinion of Environmental and Social aspects at completion:

EIB is of the opinion based on reports from the promoter and the inputs provided by Lenders' Supervisors that the Project has been implemented in line with EIB Environmental and Social Standards, applicable at the time of appraisal.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> EIA main report: <u>https://www.eib.org/en/registers/all/148401772</u>, addenda to EIA report: <u>https://www.eib.org/en/registers/all/148409141</u>, cumulative impact assessment: <u>https://www.eib.org/en/registers/all/148416570</u>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The consent is publicly available: <u>https://bocyl.jcyl.es/html/2021/06/24/html/BOCYL-D-24062021-16.do</u>